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8 BEFORE THE FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

9 STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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11 In the Matter of) FPPC No: 04/577
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14 CALIFORNIANS FOR ELECTION) STIPULATION, DECISION and
ACCOUNTABILITY, NO ON 62; and VONA) ORDER
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16 Respondents.)
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20 Complainant Michael B. Salerno, Executive Director of the Fair Political Practices Commission,
21 and Respondents Californians for Election Accountability, No on 62 and Vona Copp hereby agree that
22 this stipulation will be submitted for consideration by the Fair Political Practices Commission at its next
23 regularly scheduled meeting.

24 The parties agree to enter into this stipulation to resolve all factual and legal issues raised in this
25 matter, and to reach a final disposition without the necessity of holding an administrative hearing to
26 determine the liability of Respondents.

27 Respondents understand and hereby knowingly and voluntarily waive any and all procedural
28 rights set forth in sections 83115.5, 11503 and 11523 of the Government Code, and in sections 18361.1

1 through 18361.9 of title 2 of the California Code of Regulations. This includes, but is not limited to, the
2 right to personally appear at any administrative hearing held in this matter, to be represented by an
3 attorney at Respondents' own expense, to confront and cross-examine all witnesses testifying at the
4 hearing, to subpoena witnesses to testify at the hearing, and to have an impartial administrative law
5 judge preside over the hearing as a hearing officer, and to have the matter judicially reviewed.

6 Respondents further stipulate and agree that Californians for Election Accountability, No on 62
7 and Vona Copp violated the Political Reform Act by failing to amend Respondent Committee's
8 statement of organization to disclose its sponsor and to include the name of its sponsor in Respondent
9 Committee's name, in violation of Sections 84102, subdivisions (a) and (b), and 84103, subdivision (a)
10 of the Government Code (1 count); and by failing to include the name of Respondent Committee's
11 sponsoring organization in Respondent Committee's name on numerous required campaign statements
12 and reports filed, in violation of Section 84106 of the Government Code (1 count), as described in
13 Exhibit 1. Exhibit 1 is attached hereto and incorporated by reference, as though fully set forth herein.
14 Exhibit 1 is a true and accurate summary of the facts in this matter.

15 Respondents agree to the issuance of the decision and order, which is attached hereto.
16 Respondents also agree to the Commission imposing upon them an administrative penalty in the amount
17 of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000). A cashier's check from Respondents in said amount, made payable
18 to the "General Fund of the State of California," is submitted with this stipulation as full payment of the
19 administrative penalty, and shall be held by the State of California until the Commission issues its
20 decision and order regarding this matter. The parties agree that in the event the Commission refuses to
21 accept this stipulation, it shall become null and void, and within fifteen (15) business days after the
22 Commission meeting at which the stipulation is rejected, all payments tendered by Respondents in
23 connection with this stipulation shall be reimbursed to Respondents. Respondents further stipulate and
24 agree that in the event the Commission rejects the stipulation, and a full evidentiary hearing before the

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Commission becomes necessary, neither any member of the Commission, nor the Executive Director, shall be disqualified because of prior consideration of this stipulation.

Dated: _____

Michael B. Salerno
Executive Director
Fair Political Practices Commission

Dated: _____

By: _____
Vona Copp, Treasurer, individually and on behalf
of Californians for Election Accountability, No on
62, Respondents

DECISION AND ORDER

The foregoing stipulation of the parties “In the Matter of Californians for Election Accountability, No on 62, and Vona Copp, FPPC No. 04/577,” including all attached exhibits, is hereby accepted as the final decision and order of the Fair Political Practices Commission, effective upon execution below by the Chairman.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: _____

Ross Johnson, Chairman
Fair Political Practices Commission